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**In the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph at page 17, lines 23-27, as follows:

The isolation of the polynucleotides, e.g., FAE1 and xylanase of the invention may be accomplished by a number of techniques. See, for example, ~~depending US application 08/952,445~~ US Patent 6,368,833 which describes the isolation of a FAE from *Aspergillus niger*, and ~~depending US application 09/658,772~~ US Patent 6,555,335 which describes the isolation of a xylanase from *T. reesei*.